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PATENT
Docket No. GC530-2

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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| In re Application of |) | |
| Becker et al. |) | Group Art Unit: 1615 |
| Serial No.: 09/285,632 |) | Examiner: Susan Tran |
| Filed: April 2, 1999 |) | |
| For: Modified Starch Coating |) | |

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated November 18, 2002, please amend the claims as indicated below and consider the following remarks. A petition for a 2 month extension of time is enclosed.

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